THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR) : (a) and (b) Oil refining industry was de-licensed in June, 1998. After de-licensing, oil refineries can be set up by companies as per their requirement.

LPG agencies in Uttaranchal

†4751. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of gas agencies working in the Uttaranchal alongwith the district-wise location thereof;

(b) whether Government have received any proposal for opening more gas agencies; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR) : (a) As on 1.4.2003, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) were operating 126 LPG distributorships in various districts of the State of Uttaranchal.

(b) and (c) Consequent upon the dismantling of Administered Pricing Mechanism (APM), OMCs are free to set up the LPG distributorships as per their commercial considerations in all the States.

Supply of petroleum products from Vizag Refinery

4752. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of petroleum products being made available to Andhra Pradesh by Vizag Refinery of HPCL at present on monthly basis, product-wise;

(b) the other sources supplying petroleum products to the State, source-wise and product-wise; and

(c) what will happen to the supplies of HPCL to the State after the disinvestment of HPCL?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR) : (a) The details of petroleum products being supplied to Andhra Pradesh by Vizag Refinery of HPCL product-wise and month-wise during the year 2002-03 are given below :

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(Figures in Thousand Metric Tonnes (TMT)

Product	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	Total
Bitumen	19.0	25.8	23.0	30.7	16.5	16.8	20.3	29.2	31.2	30.8	37.6	36.7	318
ATF	4.4	6.3	5.8	6.3	6.1	6.5	6.6	7.1	7.1	6.9	7.2	7.4	78
Furnace Oil	33.4	34.2	31.9	29.2	31.1	29.0	26.0	26.6	33.1	29.9	29.7	26.2	360
LHHS/LSHS	10.3	8.5	8.1	8.2	8.2	7.0	8.7	13.6	13.6	12.9	10.6	11.6	121
HSD	289.1	320.7	294.6	305.3	282.9	278.6	142.2	147.9	178.7	159.4	157.0	152.6	2709
Kerosene	45.9	45.7	45.9	46.1	46.1	45.6	45.6	45.4	45.4	45.5	45.4	45.4	548
LDO	5.4	6.1	5.1	5.7	4.4	4.3	5.6	4.7	5.5	6.0	5.0	5.7	64
LPG	44.2	45.6	49.5	51.5	55.6	51.5	56.9	56.0	56.6	59.6	59.7	55.0	642
Motor Spirit	45.6	50.0	43.6	46.6	46.3	45.6	43.2	43.9	49.5	45.5	45.4	45.8	551
Naphtha Lan	2.8	2.0	6.5	2.5	5.2	8.2	12.0	8.7	5.8	6.0	8.7	5.8	74
Lubes/Gr.	3.5	3.5	4.0	3.7	3.6	5.0	3.6	4.2	4.3	3.8	3.7	7.5	50
TOTAL	503.6	548.4	518.0	535.8	506.0	498.1	370.7	387.3	430.8	406.3	410.0	399.7	5515

(b) Details of other sources supplying petroleum products to the State of Andhra Pradesh are as follows :—

Product	Source
LPG	Uran, Hazira, Ratnagiri, Mangalore
MS	Chennai
HSD	Chennai, Jamnagar, Mangalore
SKO	Chennai, Jamnagar, Mangalore
ATF	Chennai
LDO	Budge Budge
FO	Haldia
Bitumen	Chennai, Haldia

(c) There will be no effect as even after the change of ownership due to disinvestment, the new owners would prefer to continue to operate the Refinery at rated capacity and therefore, products would be available for supplies to Andhra Pradesh and also to Chhattisgarh, part of Orissa and Madhya Pradesh.

Exploration of gas reserves in Gujarat coast

4753. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Reliance Industries has found a gas reserves in Gulf of Cambay of Gujarat Coast;

(b) if so, the estimated quantity of gas/petroleum reserves found there; and

(c) by when the commercial production in this area is expected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) and (b) M/s Reliance Industries Ltd. have recently drilled one exploratory well in Block GK-OSJ-1 in Gulf of Kutch but no hydrocarbons were found during testing.

(c) Does not arise in view of reply to parts (a) and (b) above.

CNG Shortage in Delhi

4754. SHRI MURLI DEORA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there has been acute shortage of CNG in Delhi ;

(b) if so, the details thereof regarding supply and consumption;